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Paper pros

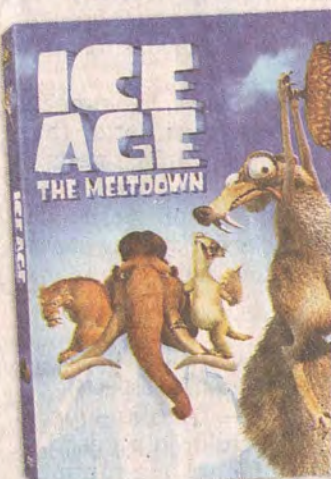
UCF Table Football Tournament showcases 10 athletes' talents.

— SEE NEWS, A2



ENTERTAINMENT

IT MAY BE COLD OUT, BUT IT'S NO ICE AGE



Ice Age: The Meltdown, which got a chilly reception from the critics, comes to DVD Tuesday. It will feature an all-new short film, *No Time for Nuts*, Crash and Eddie Stunts, bloopers reel, and commentaries.

TECHNOLOGY

APPLE'S PLANS FOR IPOD PHONE LEAKING OUT

A Taiwan newspaper reported last week that Apple Computers has placed an order for 12 million "iPhones." The picture below is a mock-up, as no one knows what the device will look like.



AROUND CAMPUS, A2

COUNSELING CENTER TO HOLD PROGRAM ON TEST-TAKING ANXIETY

Just in time for finals week, the Counseling Center will hold a program on managing test anxiety. The program will be held today in Key West Room 218AB of the Student Union from 7 to 8:30 p.m.

LOCAL & STATE, A2

EFFORT MOUNTED TO END SHACKLING OF JUVENILE SUSPECTS

Florida lawmakers are trying to change the state's policy of putting child suspects in chains. The state Department of Juvenile Justice defends the practice, arguing that the chains are necessary for public safety and that their use is indiscriminate.

NATION & WORLD, A4

22 DAY LABORERS KILLED BY SUICIDE BOMBER IN IRAQI CITY

A suicide bomber in Hillah, a mostly Shiite city 60 miles south of Baghdad, killed 22 people and wounded 44 after detonating explosives near a crowd of day laborers Sunday. Unemployment is high in Iraq.

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TODAY'S WEATHER



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THE WAIT IS OVER



Eager fans camp outside the Best Buy electronics store in the Waterford Lakes Town Center on Thursday night in anticipation of the PlayStation 3 and Nintendo Wii releases. Many had been lined up since Nov. 13.

Fans brave heat, skip class, lose sleep to get hands on 2 video game systems

LONDON BLACKER
Contributing Writer

The video-gaming craze among college students and fans across the country reached a new height last week as the next generation in console gaming was released: the Sony PlayStation 3 and the Nintendo Wii.

Crowds of people — ranging from families, to groups of friends, to college students skipping class — began lining up at retail stores around Orlando, and the Waterford Lakes Town Center on Alafaya Trail was no exception. Beginning Nov. 13, crowds began setting up

camp for a long week at both Best Buy and Target in the shopping plaza.

People trickled into the line at Best Buy throughout the week, waiting for the release of the PS3 on Friday morning. They pitched tents, made room for sleeping bags and tried to find something to occupy themselves for the long wait ahead of them.

Anthony Montero and five of his friends were the first to arrive in the line at Best Buy on Nov. 13. They saw the rest of the line fill in until Thursday and they got to know them better.

"We've made friends with pretty much everyone else [in line]," said Mon-

tero, a 20-year-old accounting major at UCF. "It's really chill. The only persons we haven't talked to are the ones who aren't guaranteed a PS3."

According to Montero and his friends, Best Buy only had 34 PS3s in stock, so the people behind No. 34 in line could only hope that a credit card got declined or that some other credit-card error occurred.

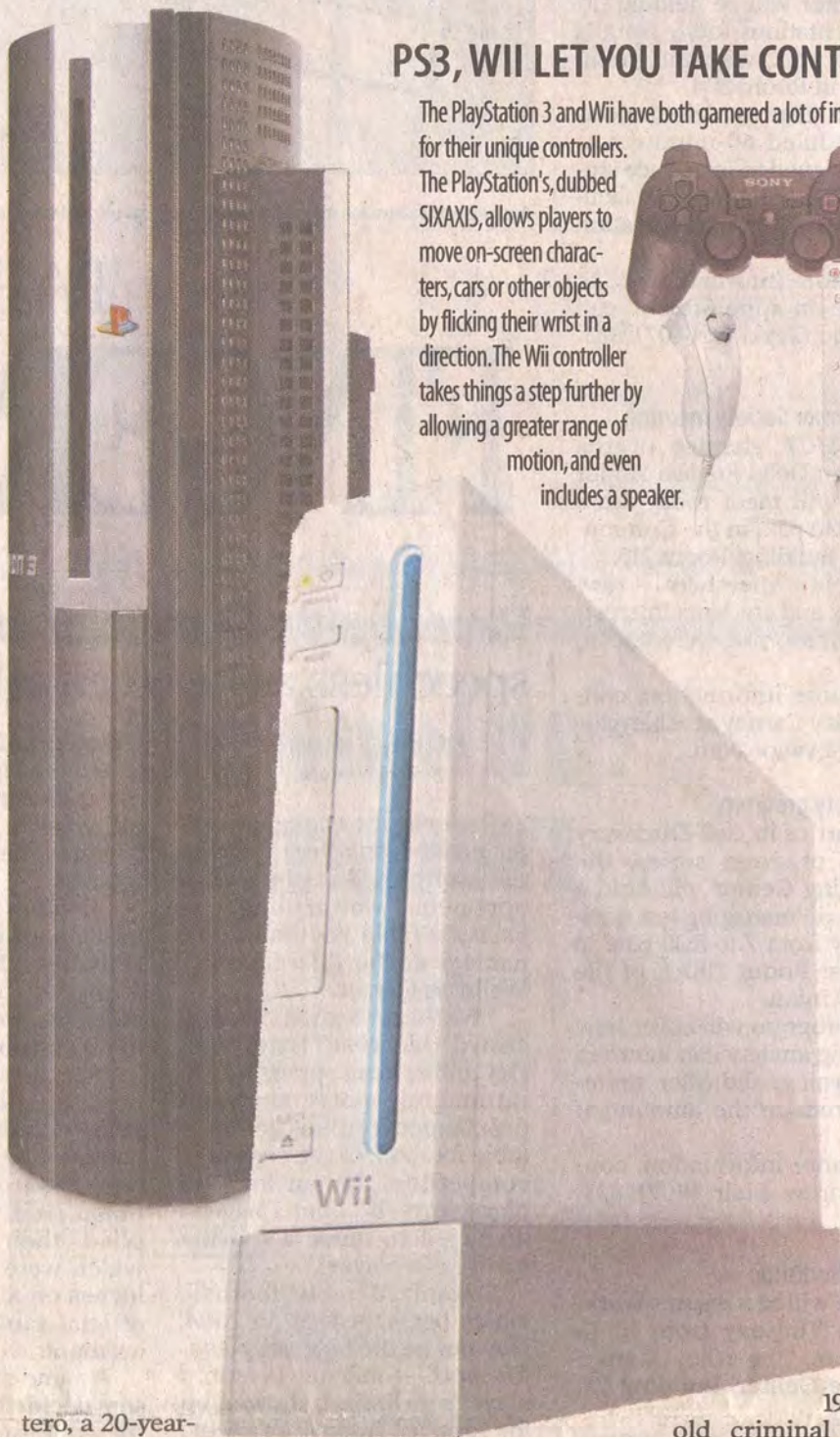
When asked what stuck out in their minds about their whole experience, the group agreed on the lack of sleep and missing classes.

"I've gotten seven hours of sleep since I've been here," said Scott Lorberbaum, a

PS3, WII LET YOU TAKE CONTROL

The PlayStation 3 and Wii have both garnered a lot of interest for their unique controllers.

The PlayStation's, dubbed SIXAXIS, allows players to move on-screen characters, cars or other objects by flicking their wrist in a direction. The Wii controller takes things a step further by allowing a greater range of motion, and even includes a speaker.



19-year-old criminal justice major. "It's mainly due to people coming by and messing with us." He said that they'd been woken up with foghorns, been pelted by water balloons and even got mooned once.

Their time spent in line was an investment, however, because the six of them planned to sell their units on eBay and hoped to make close to a \$1,500 profit.

The PS3 is distributed by Sony and comes in two models: a premium model with a 60 GB hard drive, wireless connectivity and multiple flash memory card

PLEASE SEE **WII** ON A6

Alcohol banned at new on-campus stadium

ROBYN SIDERSKY
Staff Writer

With the construction of the on-campus stadium under way, the UCF community is busy shaping plans, such as a "dry stadium" policy, to handle game-day crowds.

On Sept. 15, 2007, UCF will play host to its first home game against the University of Texas Longhorns at the Brighthouse Networks Stadium. And with 45,000 seats, the stadium presents new challenges for UCF in the form of parking, traffic and alcohol enforcement.

"We've looked at and gotten input from campuses across the country about how to handle this," said Al Harms, assistant vice president for research and special assistant to the president.

Harms and other UCF officials directly involved in the preparation process for the new stadium have studied the campuses of UF, FSU, USE, University of Washington, Notre Dame, University of Georgia, Alabama and Texas A&M to observe planning and game-day operations.

An important guideline that

will take effect in the fall is the "dry stadium" policy — no alcohol allowed inside the premises. Currently, at the home games in the Citrus Bowl, alcohol is allowed.

Harms said many stadiums around the country are dry, including FSU, and the decision to have UCF's stadium follow suit was not a hard one.

Students, however, are divided on the issue.

"I think that the idea of a dry stadium is a great idea because it cuts down on violence and

PLEASE SEE **DRY** ON A7



Brighthouse Networks Stadium, shown here under construction, will have 45,000 seats. UCF officials in charge of planning have already decided to ban alcohol from the stadium.

VUCF holds rock concert to help students feed homeless

FABIOLA NORRIS
Contributing Writer

Students rocked out to the tunes of local bands Friday night at Rock For Hunger, a benefit concert put on by Volunteer UCF and The ONE Campaign to help fight poverty.

Local bands included Milka, K-G and the Band, Stumpp, Vision Quest, Vocal Drop, Cori Yarckin and Oldstate. The concert was held at 7 p.m. in the Student Union's Pegasus Ballroom.

Chris Goyzueta, the director

of Hunger and Homelessness for VUCF, wanted Rock For Hunger to resemble Live 8 concerts, which are huge shows that feature well-known bands and whose mission is to make poverty history.

Goyzueta said this was an exciting time for VUCF because it was the first-ever Rock For Hunger benefit concert. VUCF is in the middle of hosting a series of events that began on Wednesday and will continue

PLEASE SEE **VUCF** ON A7

Workshop is business bootcamp

Invention to Venture teaches entrepreneurs

TAYLOR VERNARSKY
Staff Writer

The Invention to Venture workshop was held at the Fairwinds Alumni Center Friday to give aspiring entrepreneurs first-hand experience with what goes into technology entrepreneurship.

I2V is a national series of workshops, developed by the National Collegiate Inventors

and Innovators Alliance, that teach students the basics of technology entrepreneurship and how to build networks. This was the fourth year that I2V was held at UCF.

Tom O'Neal, director of the UCF Technology Incubator and host of the event, described the workshop as a one-day boot camp to better inform students of how to start a company.

"It's rewarding for them to learn from experts so they have a better idea how to start," O'Neal said.

Students who attended said

they felt like they were walking away from the event wiser on how the technology entrepreneurial process works.

Kyle J. Britt, a 21-year-old film major, said that he's going to use what he learned to help better his idea. Being interested in film, Britt and his friend are trying to develop a way to project three-dimensional images on screen.

"It's something that could be in movie theaters in the next couple of years," Britt said.

A big hurdle, though, is

PLEASE SEE **STUDENTS** ON A5

AROUND CAMPUS

News and notices for the UCF community

Interview practice

Career Services & Experiential Learning will host interview practice sessions today at the Career Resource Center, Building 7F, Room 185 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Students will have a chance to practice their interview skills in preparation for job or internship interviews.

For more information, or to schedule an appointment, call Annie Ware at (407) 823-2361.

Fitness orientation

The Recreation and Wellness Center will be holding fitness orientations today from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m., with the initial meeting in Room 204.

These fitness orientations are scheduled 60-minute sessions designed to introduce students to the machines and facilities provided by the recreation center.

For more information or to schedule an appointment, call Stephanie Gaski at (407) 823-2408.

English Honor Society meeting

The UCF chapter of the Sigma Tau Delta English Honor Society will meet today from 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. in the Communication Building, Room 210.

Current members, new members and students interested in joining are welcome to attend.

For more information, contact Ashley Carney at ashleycarney_ucf@yahoo.com.

Test anxiety program

As part of its Self-Discovery Knights program series, the Counseling Center will hold a program on managing test anxiety today from 7 to 8:30 p.m. in Key West Room 218AB of the Student Union.

The program will cover how test-taking anxiety can interfere with learning, and offer strategies to reduce the amount of anxiety.

For more information, contact Andrew Blair (407) 823-2811.

Resume Workshop

There will be a resume workshop on Tuesday from 10 to 10:30 a.m. in the Career Resource Center, Building 7F, Room 185.

The functions and formats of resumes will be covered.

For more information, contact Annie Ware at (407) 823-2361.

Language program

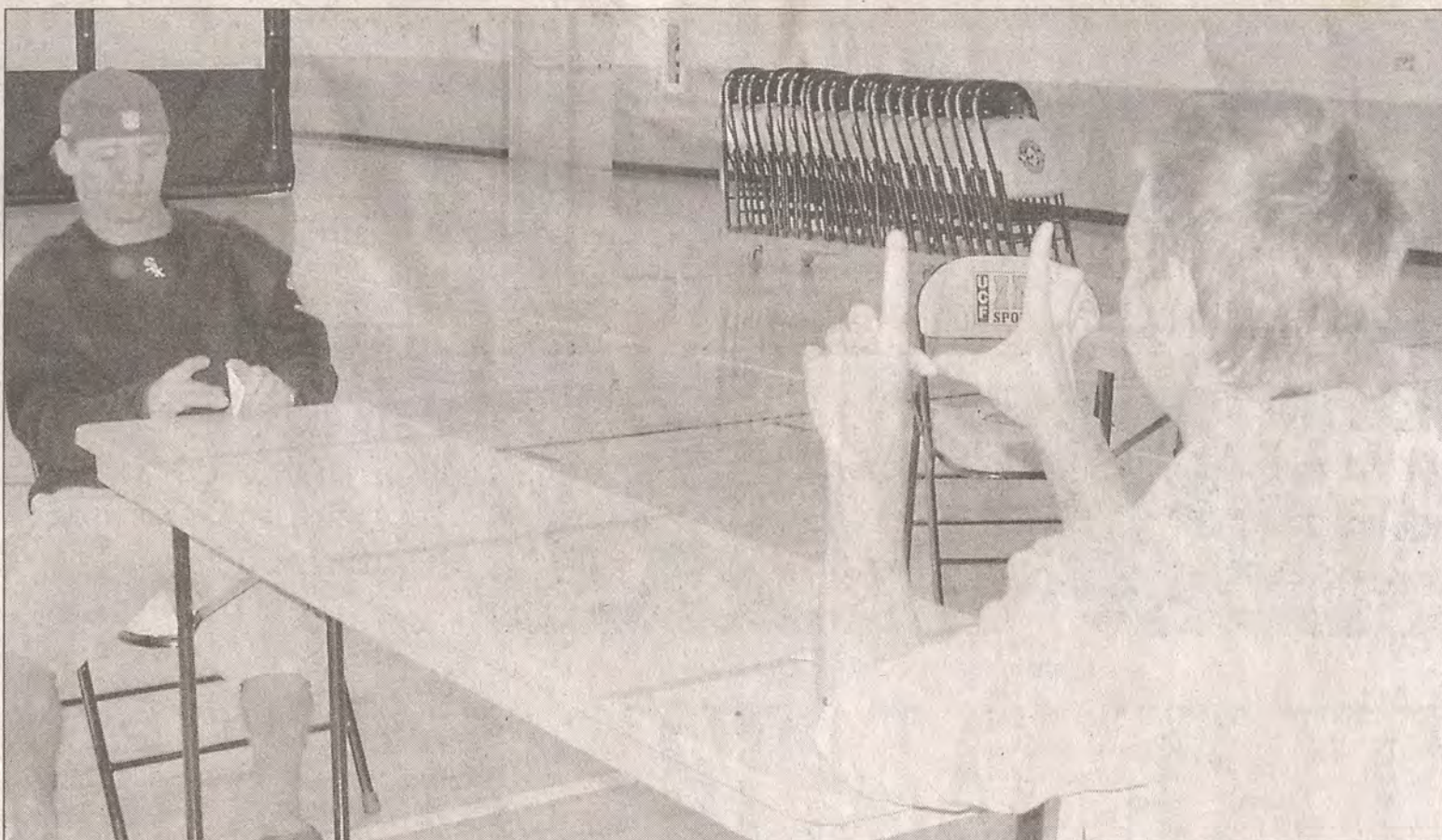
International Services Center will host a cultural program on Tuesday from 4 to 5 p.m. at the Barbara Ying Center.

The program, called Language Tables, will explore cultures through foreign languages.

For more information, contact Paul Schatz at (407) 823-5491.

LET US KNOW

The Future wants to hear from you! If you have a club, organization or event and want your information to be considered for the Around Campus column, send a fax to (407) 447-4556 or an e-mail to editor@ucfnews.com. Deadlines are 5 p.m. Friday for the Monday edition, 5 p.m. Monday for the Wednesday edition, and 5 p.m. Wednesday for the Friday edition.



Business administration major Anthony Yanni faces off against visual media major Nick Martinez during the paper football tournament Friday at the Recreation & Wellness Center.

TABLE FOOTBALL IS FINGER-FLICKIN' FUN

Paper football tournament winner speechless as he receives his prize

WHITNEY HAMRICK
Contributing Writer

Paper right-triangles propelled in flying arcs through the improvised goal posts of opponents' waiting hands at Friday's Table Football Tournament at the Recreation & Wellness Center.

"We've got a good medium crowd this year," said Dave DeCandis, head supervisor of intramural sports and self-proclaimed commissioner of table football, of the event's 10 competitors. "I am an avid player myself ... but I haven't managed to enter a tournament [as a player]."

Organized table football, which began at UCF in 2004, may not be the biggest spectator sport — only one person, a player's girlfriend, showed up for support. It may not be the most competitive, either, with the record number of participants being 24. But one thing is for sure: The paper-athletes are doing what they love.

"It's exciting," said Timothy Travis, a 19-year-old electrical engineering major and assistant supervisor for the event. "What could be more fun than table football? It's the game you played in the third grade when the teacher was-

n't looking. It's great."

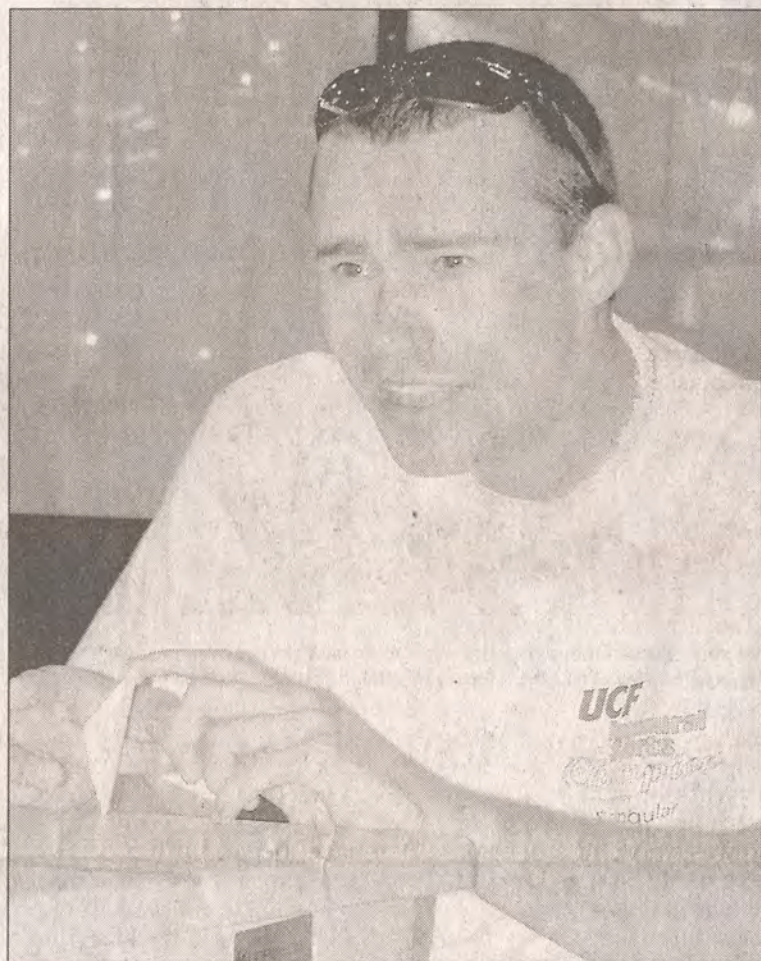
Nick Martinez, a 21-year-old digital media major said he joined the tournament because he can't play real football.

"It gives me a chance to participate in extracurricular activities," Martinez said. "It is also the only place I get to see someone from UCF win a football game."

Five football tables were lined up side-by-side in the gym, with three strips of blue painter's tape simulating the five 20-yard lines of a traditional field. Participants supplied their own footballs, which were no bigger than 7 inches on all sides, as per the official table football measurement.

A game of rock, paper, scissors decided who went first in the one-on-one, 12-minute games, where the first player to reach 30 points was the winner. Supervisors hovered near the tables to make final calls and keep the score. Seven points were awarded for touchdowns and one point was awarded for field goals.

"Kickoffs" started at the end of the table. Players were allowed three downs to flick or push the football to the opposite edge of the table in



Junior marketing major Tim Ford was named the paper football champion on Friday.

an attempt to score a touchdown. After three downs, the ball was turned over to the other player.

If the "kick" went out of bounds before the 20-yard line, the receiver got the ball

at his 10-yard line. If the "kick" went out of bounds after the 20-yard line, the receiver got the ball at the 50-yard line.

But with no players, how

PLEASE SEE PRIZE ON A3

LOCAL WEATHER

	Today	TODAY IN DETAIL		Tuesday	High: 58°
	MOSTLY SUNNY	Today: Sunny with some cloud cover in the afternoon. Winds northwest at 10 to 15 mph.		PARTLY CLOUDY	Low: 41°
	High: 63° Low: 44°	Tonight: Mostly cloudy as temps dip into the 40s. Winds northwest at 10 to 20 mph.			Sunday
				SCATTERED SHOWERS	Low: 45°

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Rep. seeks to deter war with military draft bill

Americans would have to sign up for a new military draft after turning 18 under a bill the incoming chairman of the House Ways and Means Committee says he will introduce next year.

Rep. Charles Rangel, D-N.Y., said Sunday he sees his idea as a way to deter politicians from launching wars.

"There's no question in my mind that this president and this administration would never have invaded Iraq, especially on the flimsy evidence that was presented to the Congress, if indeed we had a draft and members of Congress and the administration thought that their kids from their communities would be placed in harm's way," Rangel said.

Rangel, a veteran of the Korean War who has unsuccessfully sponsored legislation on conscription in the past, said he will propose a measure early next year. While he said he is serious about the proposal, there is little evident support among lawmakers for it.

In 2003, Rangel proposed a measure covering people age 18 to 26. This year, he offered a plan to mandate military service for men and women between age 18 and 42; it went nowhere in the Republican-led Congress.

Democrats will control the House and Senate come January because of their victories in the Nov. 7 election.

At a time when some lawmakers are urging the military to send more troops to Iraq, "I don't see how anyone can support the war and not support

"I don't see how anyone can support the war and not support the draft. I think to do so is hypocritical."

— REP. CHARLES RANGEL, D-NY

the draft," said Rangel, who also proposed a draft in January 2003, before the U.S. invasion of Iraq. "I think to do so is hypocritical."

Sen. Lindsey Graham, a South Carolina Republican who is a colonel in the U.S. Air Force Standby Reserve, said he agreed that the U.S. does not have enough people in the military.

"I think we can do this with an all-voluntary service, all-voluntary Army, Air Force, Marine Corps and Navy. And if we can't, then we'll look for some other option," said Graham, who is assigned as a reserve judge to the Air Force Court of Criminal Appeals.

Rangel, the next chairman of the House tax-writing committee, said he worried the military was being strained by its overseas commitments.

"If we're going to challenge Iran and challenge North Korea and then, as some people have asked, to send more troops to Iraq, we can't do that

without a draft," Rangel said.

He said having a draft would not necessarily mean everyone called to duty would have to serve in the armed forces. Instead, "young people [would] commit themselves to a couple of years in service to this great republic, whether it's our seaports, our airports, in schools, in hospitals," with a promise of educational benefits at the end of service.

Graham said he believes the all-voluntary military "represents the country pretty well in terms of ethnic make-up, economic background."

Repeated polls have shown that about seven in 10 Americans oppose reinstatement of the draft and officials say they do not expect to restart conscription.

Outgoing Defense Secretary Donald H. Rumsfeld told Congress in June 2005 that "there isn't a chance in the world that the draft will be brought back."

Yet the prospect of the long global fight against terrorism and the continuing U.S. commitment to stabilizing Iraq have kept the idea in the public's mind.

The military drafted conscripts during the Civil War, both world wars and between 1948 and 1973. An agency, the Selective Service System, keeps an updated registry of men age 18-25 — now about 16 million — from which to supply untrained draftees that would supplement the professional all-volunteer armed forces.

— ASSOCIATED PRESS

Prize is champion T-shirt

FROM A2

does a paper-athlete score a touchdown?

"A touchdown is [when] any part of the ball [slides] over the edge of the table without falling off," according to the rules handed out at the tournament. "Footballs can only be moved by a flick or a push. If an offensive play goes off the table, it is a turnover on the spot."

The prize for winning the tournament was an Intramural Sports Champion T-shirt, with the back designed to mimic a *Sports Illustrated* magazine cover. It is given to the winners of all intramural sports.

Chris Morris, a 19-year-old computer science major, asserted his lackluster hopes for victory. "Hopefully, I'll get

a bit more practice. Don't get me wrong, I want that T-shirt, but there's no chance I'm going to win this."

The first round ended with a tie-up of four to decide the final two slots. The highest score leading up to the second round was from Christie Leak, a 20-year-old art major and the only female player.

Being the only woman in a male-dominated sport did not faze Leak in the slightest. "This is more brain than brawn," Leak said. "I think I can take it. I'm doing good, feeling confident."

The second round began with a total upset. All the high scorers from the round before were dethroned, including Martinez and the previously undefeated and likely winner Leak. Morris, who was surprised yet pleased, entered the

second round more confident.

"I hope I go up against [John] Bambace. He's good, I want to beat him," Morris said.

"This is getting intense," Travis said, as the matchup of the final two, Tim Ford and Bambace, began with a scissor-cuts-paper victory for Ford. Ford kicked off the game, leading him to a 34-18 victory. He already had a shirt, however, from a flag football win the previous night.

"What an athlete," said Noel Ruiz-Castaneda, a 21-year-old marketing major, who lost in the second round.

"I can't even describe it in words," Ford said, as DeCandis presented him with his championship T-shirt and took his picture for the RWC's Web site. "I'd just like to thank my fingers. They're magic."

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HIGHER EDUCATION

What's in the news at colleges around the country

Outside review of UCLA police use of Taser after angry campus rally

LOS ANGELES — An attorney who was part of a review of excessive force complaints following the Rodney King beating will investigate a UCLA police officer's use of a Taser on an Iranian-American student, the school said Friday.

The move came in response to student demands voiced earlier Friday at a news conference and subsequent rally, where speakers said the shocking of Mostafa Tabatabaiejad, 23, sent a chill across the campus.

"As students we feel our safety is endangered, and we do not feel safe on campus," said Sabiha Ameen, president of the Muslim Students Association.

Tabatabaiejad, 23, was shocked Tuesday night after arguing with a campus police officer who was conducting a routine check of student IDs at the University of California, Los Angeles, Powell Library computer lab.

Campus police say he refused to show his student ID and refused to leave the building when asked.

A few hours after the rally, acting Chancellor Norman Abrams announced he had chosen Merrick Bobb to lead an independent investigation.

Bobb served as staff attorney for the Christopher Commission, which was formed to examine allegations of excessive force in the Los Angeles Police Department after the King beating in the early '90s.

UGA adds 'gender-neutral' restrooms to help students

ATLANTA — Officials at the University of Georgia have designated a pair of "gender neutral" restrooms on campus, a change begun out of concern for transgender students but which they say will benefit others — from students with disabilities and medical conditions to parents of young children.

The single-stall restrooms are near the university's gay student support center, where leaders hope the trend will expand to other parts of campus.

Michael Shutt, an assistant dean of students and director of the university's year-old Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender Resource Center, said the move came out of safety and comfort concerns for transgender students.

"Most of us very much take for granted that we can find a restroom and we don't have to worry about anybody harassing us," said Shutt said. "But there is always the chance that people can be harassed in restrooms if they don't look like they fit the norm and there can sometimes be assault or abuse in those cases."

"Transgender" is an umbrella term used to cover several different identities — from those seeking sex-change surgery to heterosexuals who feel more comfortable wearing clothing typical of the other gender.

UC group says its signs were defaced with racist slogans

CINCINNATI — Anti-death penalty and anti-racism signs on the University of Cincinnati campus have been defaced, and the group that posted the signs said UC officials have not done enough to address the problem.

The International Socialist Organization said someone put swastikas and racist slogans on some of its posters displayed on campus.

"This happened on Nov. 8, and we still have not heard from the administration," said group member Shane Johnson.

The signs were defaced with slogans that included "White Power" and "Bring Back Hitler," Johnson said.

He said a racist flier also was found on several cars on campus Nov. 13.

"I am wondering why so few people have heard about this issue," said student Kersha Deibel-Trotter. She said similar issues have come up before, and some students don't think the administration has taken a strong stand on them.

"I came to this university to experience diversity and feel welcome, not to feel as if my life is in danger," Deibel-Trotter said.

— ASSOCIATED PRESS

NATION & WORLD

Keep current with headlines you may have missed



Residents gather on the street following an explosion in Hillah, Iraq Sunday. A suicide bomber in a minivan lured day laborers to his vehicle with promises of a job.

Two schoolchildren wounded in Israeli shooting at Gaza school

GAZA CITY, Gaza Strip — Stray Israeli gunfire hit a U.N. school in the northern Gaza Strip, wounding two children, including a 7-year-old boy who was hit in the head as he sat at his desk, United Nations officials said Sunday, but Israel denied involvement.

The U.N. Relief and Works Agency appealed for protection of civilians in the Gaza Strip after Saturday's shooting. "At present, children are not safe even in United Nations classrooms. We urgently need a solution," said John Ging, the agency's Gaza field director.

The military said there was no Israeli army activity in the area. The spokesman's office said a thorough investigation showed there was no Israeli gunfire in that area on Saturday.

Hospital officials said the boy, Ahmed Abdel-Aziz, suffered slight wounds above his eye. Minutes later, a 12-year-old girl was shot in the leg as students were being evacuated from the building.

Hospital officials said both children were in good condition. At the school, officials showed a picture of the boy with a bullet near his eyebrow.

UNRWA is the main U.N. agency that provides food, housing, education and health care to Palestinian refugees in Gaza, the West Bank and neighboring countries.

The agency runs 187 schools serving 194,000 students in Gaza.

Bomber in minivan kills 22 laborers in Baghdad

BAGHDAD, Iraq — A suicide bomber in a minivan killed 22 people and wounded 44 after detonating the explosives near a crowd of day laborers in a southern Iraqi city, police said.

The minivan approached the men in Hillah, a mostly Shiite city 60 miles south of Baghdad, and exploded as they gathered around it, said police Capt. Muthanna Khalid Ali.

Unemployment is high across Iraq, and men often struggle to feed their families by working jobs such as the construction work the Hillah residents were seeking. Sunday is a working day in mostly Muslim Iraq.

Crying and screaming Shiite women searched the bloody scene for their sons. Some blamed Sunni Arab insurgents for the attack. Others said Hillah's police never provide poor people such as day laborers with adequate security.

Soldiers also gathered at the site, in part to guard the heavily damaged shops and stalls from scavengers. Some of the stalls were serving traditional breakfasts of boiled eggs and tea to the laborers when the explosion occurred.

Russia signs key trade deal with U.S., ready to join WTO

HANOI, Vietnam — Russia and the United States signed a key trade agreement Sunday, removing the last major obstacle in Moscow's 13-year journey to join the World Trade Organization.

The deal, inked on the sidelines of a gathering of Pacific Rim economies, is a powerful vote of confidence in Russia — the largest economy still outside the 149-member WTO — and signals its integration into the global trading system.

It also marks a bright spot in the two countries' relations that have been marred by disagreements over Iran's con-

troversial nuclear program and Washington's fears of a roll back of democratic freedoms under Russian President Vladimir Putin.

Russia's Trade and Economic Development Minister German Gref called the deal a "historic step — the last step — that signifies the return of Russia to the market principles of the world economy."

As part of the deal, Gref said that Russia had pledged to cut import tariffs on a range of goods — including aircraft, computer technology, agriculture and machinery.

The two countries also managed to overcome the high-profile question of Russia's shaky record on protecting intellectual property rights. Pirated films, music and software in Russia cost U.S. companies nearly \$1.8 billion in 2005.

Secret Service agent wounded in triple shooting at mall food court

ANNAPOLIS, Md. — An off-duty Secret Service agent was shot after intervening in a fight in a shopping mall food court Saturday evening, and he returned fire, wounding the shooter, police said.

A third person was also shot in the melee, and all were hospitalized in stable condition late Saturday, said Officer Sara Schriver, an Anne Arundel County police spokeswoman.

The agent was at the Westfield Annapolis mall with his family shortly after 7 p.m. when he saw a group of men attacking another man, Schriver said.

The agent tried to break up the fight, and someone in the group drew a gun and started firing, she said.

After the agent was shot, he drew his handgun and returned fire, wounding the shooter, police said. A third person was shot during the gunfight, but it was not clear who shot that person, Schriver said.

Nintendo's Wii console launches, but can it take on the PS3?

NEW YORK — More than a thousand fans lined up in Times Square for the Sunday launch of Nintendo's entry into the holiday season's field of competing video game consoles, the cheap but innovative Wii.

Despite the throngs, the midnight launch event went smoothly. That contrasted with the launch of Sony Corp.'s PlayStation 3 console just two days earlier, which forced police to disperse crowds at some stores around the country.

The first buyer, Isaiah Triforce Johnson, had been waiting in line outside the store for more than a week. He wore a Nintendo Power Glove, a wearable controller that came out in 1989, while shaking hands with Nintendo of America president Reggie Fils-Aime after buying the first Wii. Johnson said he had legally changed his middle name to a reference in Nintendo's "Zelda" series of games.

The Wii costs \$250 and includes one game. The two PlayStation 3 models cost \$500 and \$600, with no included game. The two Xbox 360 models cost \$300 and \$400, with no game.

Sony had about 400,000 PlayStation 3s in North American stores on Friday. Nintendo has said it would have "five to ten" times as many Wiis available at launch, and will have shipped 4 million units by the end of the year. It still expects consoles to sell out in stores.

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John Spence, Executive in Residence for the UCF Technology Incubator and managing partner of Flycaster & Company, speaks on Friday.

Students act on dreams

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creating a working prototype, he said.

"Mathematically, it works," Britt said. "But we are unable to build it right now."

However, after the workshop, Britt was determined not to be discouraged and said he gained a better understanding on how to approach it.

John Kracht, a 38-year-old business major, learned how to go about patenting and licensing products from a mock licensing negotiation.

The demonstration played out more like a business deal than a technological deal, with the parties involved trying to form a respectable relationship. Despite knowing that the participants were role-playing, the demonstration provided a lot of insight into what goes on, Kracht said.

"I saw a little psychology being used," Kracht said. "The participants characterized that for me."

As far as starting his own business soon, he said that it will take some time.

"It's within the realm of possibility for me," Kracht said. "I just don't have any good ideas

yet."

Cameron Ford, the director for the UCF Center for Entrepreneurship, was the first speaker of the event and explained how technology entrepreneurship works. Ford said it's a way of forming organizations that provide either novel or exclusive-based solutions.

According to Ford, getting involved with technology entrepreneurship provides people with a sense of accomplishment because they're following their passions and getting rich along the way. It's not for everyone, he stressed, because there are many hardships, including stress and having to work long hours with little vacation time.

The purpose of the workshop was to give students who want to start their own businesses a better understanding of how to do so. Guest speakers gave lectures on the basics and answered questions from the audience.

The workshop has been known to bring in up to 300 people each year.

Only a small fraction of that attended this year's event, allowing for an intimate atmos-

phere for those present, O'Neal said.

Many aspects of technology entrepreneurship were discussed. The workshop explored the process of inventing a product and successfully marketing and financing it, selling it, applying for patents, building a competent team to work with, making a perfect pitch to investors, and finding the money to support it.

Regina Smith is the NCIIA program associate for the I2V workshop in Florida. She said that the workshop teaches entrepreneur skills that students can't get from a classroom alone.

"We allow the students to get really hands-on," Smith said. "We're trying to connect to people and help them out."

The one issue that all the speakers touched upon was passion, because if the passion isn't visible in the young entrepreneur, they said, then no one will be convinced to support it.

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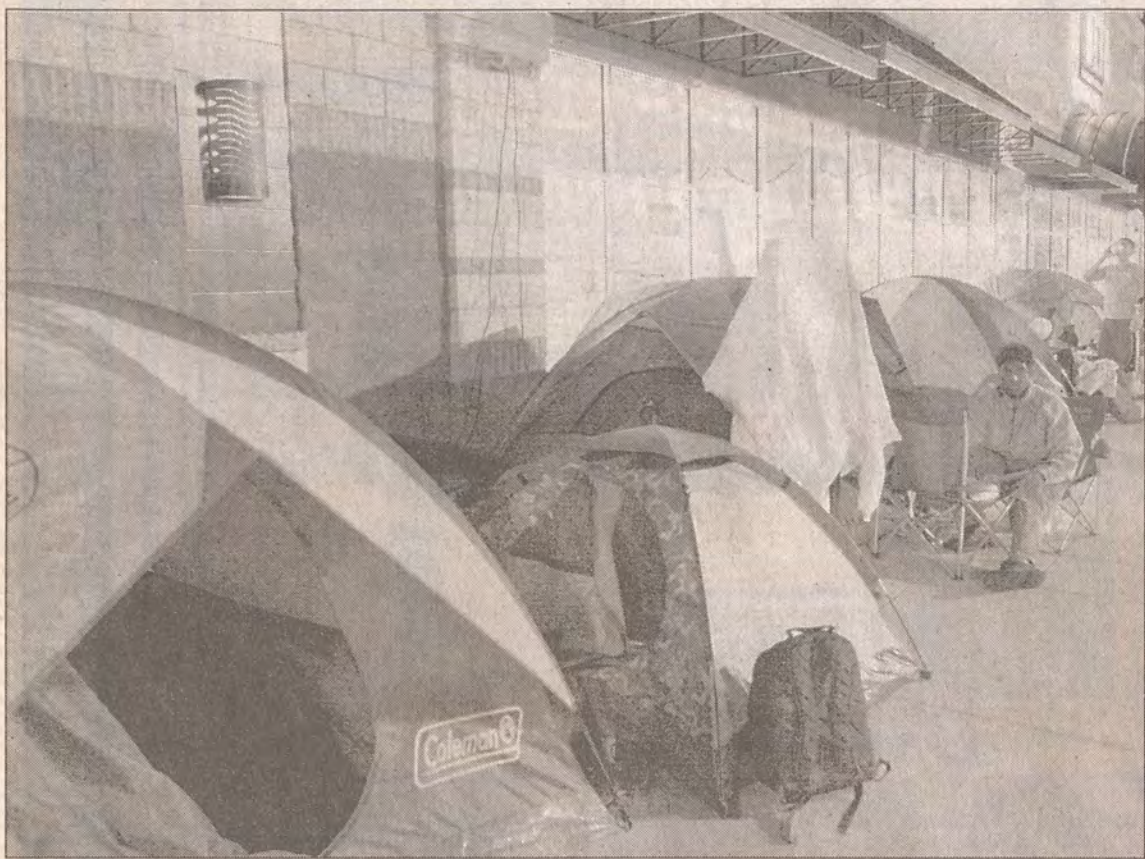
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Gamers and those eager to make a buck lined up as early as Nov. 13 in front of Best Buy for the release of Playstation 3 and Nintendo Wii. BEN EDELSTEIN / CENTRAL FLORIDA FUTURE

Wii is cheaper, more available than PS3

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readers; and a basic model with a 20 GB hard drive but no extra features.

Crowds lined up again outside both Best Buy and Target for a second time that weekend in anticipation of the Wii release Sunday. They camped out Saturday night with more tents and an expectation of getting the gaming system.

More models of the Wii were released for distribution than the PS3, and at \$249.99 the Wii is a cheaper system than the PS3, whose basic model goes for \$499 and the premium model for \$599.

The Wii will compete with both the PS3 and Microsoft's Xbox 360 and it has 20 games available for purchase with its release.

Wii is also in greater U.S. production than the PS3, therefore it is less scarce and in less high of a demand. However, the Wii's distinguishing and innovative feature is its wireless controller, the Wii Remote, which can detect motion and rotation in three dimensions.

Montero and his group planned to get the 60 GB model of the PS3.

"Those are the ones that are selling for a lot," Montero said. "If you're gonna buy it you might as well get the 60, because the 60 comes with wireless internet."

There is a high demand for PS3s in the U.S. market, so much that people have even resorted to theft in order to get their hands on one.

After waiting in line for 50 hours, UCF students and iden-

GAMES FOR THE PS3

At launch and throughout the holidays, more than 20 first- and third-party PS3 software titles across today's most popular genres will also be released alongside the hardware. This is one of the most robust libraries of launch titles yet seen for a computer entertainment system, with titles including *Resistance: Fall of Man*™, *Genji: Days of the Blade*™ and *NBA '07*, published by SCEA, available immediately for less than \$60.

Other titles that will be available by the end of the year for purchase and download through SCEA's online PlayStation Store include *Blast Factor*, *Lemmings*™, *Go! Sudoku*, and *Go! Swizzle-block*. Other downloadable content available on Nov. 17 includes free movie trailers and game demos.

GAMES FOR THE WII

Nintendo also added an impressive number of 65 new titles to the launch list, all built exclusively for Wii by some of the world's best known gaming studios. Moreover, other 30 "oldies but goodies" will soon be included in the software pack that will accompany the gadget at its launch.

Among the new titles will be *The Legend of Zelda: Twilight Princess*, *Madden NFL '07*, *Need for Speed: Carbon*, *Call of Duty 3*, *Marvel Ultimate Alliance*, *Rampage: Total Destruction*, *SpongeBob SquarePants: The Creature from Krusty Krab*, *Tony Hawk's Downhill Jam*, *Red Steel* and many others.

tical triplets Andres, Daniel and Felipe Caicedo were robbed of their PS3 just after midnight Friday in the parking lot of their Northgate Lakes apartment.

"The PS3 box is huge," said Andres Caicedo, a 19-year-old digital media major. "We tried to hide it in our backpack, but it was too big. So we took a chance."

As they were walking to their apartment, Andres Caicedo said three men drove up in a maroon car and two jumped out with objects resembling guns poking through their sweaters.

"I was thinking, 'Wow, I don't believe this, I'm about to get mugged,'" Andres Caicedo, who was holding the system at the time of the robbery, said.

"All over a game system."

In panic, Caicedo ran away with the game system in his arms. "By this time, I thought my brothers were already dead," he said.

Realizing he would have to surrender his system or risk injury, Caicedo decided to slam his PS3 to the ground in an attempt to break it. Meanwhile, his brother Daniel chased down one of the assailants as he fled to the car.

"They almost ran over my brother Daniel," Andres Caicedo said. "Just for a system. When I got back inside, I cried myself to sleep."

The brothers filed a report with the Seminole County Police Department and said they would like to prosecute the robbers, if they are caught.

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Language Tables (4pm-5pm) - 21st
The purpose of this program is to explore other cultures through exposure to foreign languages. Multiple languages are offered to allow for an exciting opportunity to interact with people from around the world.

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Jenna Barnes, a junior communication major, left, and Caitlin Smith, a junior journalism major, right, browse through dozens of denim fashions at Kappa Alpha Theta's Operation: Denim on Thursday. The event was designed to raise funds for Court Appointed Special Advocates, a national nonprofit organization that trains community volunteers to speak for the interests of abused and neglected children in court.

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Dry stadium divides students

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rowdy fans," said freshman business administration major Sean Berg.

Officials agree and plan to enforce the policy with strict guidelines. While tailgating will be allowed in certain areas — to be determined at a future date — the Florida Open Container Law, which states that it is illegal to have open alcohol containers outside the property of a bar, restaurant or private residence, will be in effect.

"Most certainly there will be tailgating, but there will be guidelines," Harms said.

While students won't be able to drink in the new stadium, they will still have the option of purchasing alcohol at Wackadoo's Grub & Brew in the Student Union.

"I don't like that it's going to be a dry stadium," said freshman Emily Frazier. "There are quite a few UCF fans and students who are of age. They should be able to drink during the football game if they so choose. Besides, it will help the school gain more money if they provide alcohol."

After this year's homecoming events, which saw crowds

nearing 10,000 people, officials plan to make traffic control a top priority.

An outside consulting firm, PBS&J, will help UCF develop a transportation management system for the stadium.

"Basically we want to maximize capacity on existing roadways," said Gary Carlin of PBS&J.

The firm plans to use cameras to monitor traffic and accidents, and also to utilize the existing 511 system, a communication network that provides traffic information about major highways. Alafaya Trail and University Boulevard will be added to the 511 system.

Dynamic message signs will also be used to display notifications about accidents, traffic and routing information.

The total value of the improvements is said to be \$4.7 million, which may come from the Florida Trust Fund. Within a month, the trust fund will make its decision on whether to support the project.

To bring people in from State Road 408, both Challenger Parkway and Discovery Drive will become one-way streets before and after each game.

Instead of opening up temporary sand or grass lots on campus, UCF's existing shuttle service will be expanded during games, according to Parking Services director John Clark.

"There will be no added parking, we will utilize what we have," Clark said.

UCF is working with Siemens Westinghouse and Research Park to provide an additional 6,000-7,000 spaces to the existing 13,000 spots on campus.

For its part, UCF Athletics brought in Gameday Management Group, a company that has assisted with events like the Super Bowl and the Indianapolis 500.

"On game days, law enforcement will be supplemented with assistance from surrounding agencies," said Maj. David Zambri of the UCF Police Department.

Seminole County, Orange County and Florida Highway Patrol will assist with the surrounding roads outside of UCF's jurisdiction.

For students who can't or won't make the 17-mile trip to the Citrus Bowl, the on-campus stadium is a welcome

change.

"It's such a hassle to get there and it's too far away from the school," Berg said. "Some students don't have vehicles to get downtown, and the ones that do don't feel like dealing with all of the traffic and parking concerns that come with a sporting event."

Also up for debate is if the stadium will be used for purposes other than football games. After the crowds seen at this year's homecoming events, many wonder whether the stadium will be used for special events.

"We're in the very preliminary stages of planning — it all comes down to what we're allowed to do," said SGA Athletics and Traditions Coordinator Brandon Delanois. "It's a collective effort; we're all getting together and analyzing what we need to do."

Another advantage for current students is that, unlike older schools with more established stadiums, this brand-new stadium will give students a chance to shape and establish their own traditions.

"We're a major university and we get to do this at the young age of 40," Harms said.

VUCF feeds the homeless today

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until Tuesday.

On Monday, students can join the carpool at Millican Hall at 6 p.m. to feed the homeless at Lake Eola. Students can also donate sweaters, jackets, blankets and sweat pants to the VUCF cubicle in Student Union Room 208.

"I really believe that if you can get people to believe in what you believe in, you can get them motivated to help make a difference in the world for the better," Goyzueta said.

VUCF teamed up with Real Rock 101.1, 2nd Harvest Food Bank, the U.S. Army, Fair Trade for a Greater Orlando Coalition and many others.

Last year Goyzueta attended the Hunger Banquet that VUCF sponsored and he became motivated to help those that are less fortunate. Rock For Hunger was his first time managing a large event and it made him feel as though he had finally found his "true passion."

"Rock For Hunger is all about people coming together in peace, enjoying great music and making a difference. Even if it's a little difference, it matters to those it affects," Goyzueta said.

The students who attended the concert said they enjoyed the event not only because of the music, but also because they cared about the cause.

"I heard about the event through VUCF and I wanted to



Chris Goyzueta, a 24-year-old psychology major and Volunteer UCF director of Hunger & Homelessness, thanks his staff for an event well done.

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come out and help by donating, and because it's a very meaningful event," said Christy Albarracin, a VUCF member.

Diego Quiroz, a member of the band Vision Quest, said he's been involved in charity programs before.

"I got involved with some charity programs in Brazil, so I had seen poverty and the damage it causes in families and people ... this generation can do something different and can make poverty disappear."

The goal of the concert was to raise \$6,000 to donate to 2nd Harvest Food Bank and Care International. At the end of the night they raised a little over \$1,000, but Goyzueta still considers the event a success.

"Everyone that experienced it had an experience that they won't forget," he said. This is just the beginning. There will be much more to come."

Students can be sure to see another Rock For Hunger benefit concert next year, Goyzueta

added.

"I plan on doing smaller events in downtown throughout the spring to start raising money for Rock For Hunger 2... Soon people will catch on and support Rock For Hunger because it's entertaining, has a great message, and it's there to make a difference locally and globally," he said.

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From left: UCF forward Lavell Payne finishes a dunk in the second half of Saturday's win over Stetson, Knights guard Mike O'Donnell writhes in pain as teammates look on after his injury with 1:14 remaining against Stetson and UCF kicker Mike Torres and quarterback Kyle Israel react as Torres' game-winning field-goal attempt sails wide in the Knights' 10-9 loss to Tulane on Saturday in New Orleans.

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Taylor pours in game-high 23 as Knights top rival Hatters

CHRIS HOYLER
Sports Editor

Jermaine Taylor once again led the offense, but an impressive showing of team defense got UCF through some rough spots as they topped rival Stetson 73-60 Saturday in front of 1,851 at the UCF Arena.

Coming off a career-high 26 points on Wednesday in the overtime win over Rollins, Taylor once again came off the bench to lead all players with 23 points.

"It really doesn't matter to me, as long as I'm playing," Taylor said. "I'm just doing whatever I can to help out the team, and it doesn't really matter if I'm coming off the bench or starting, I'm just going to come in and give all I have."

He was more accurate than Wednesday, making nine of his 13 attempts from the field, and seemed to trust his dribble more as he drove to take mid-range shots instead of the 3-pointers that dominated his score-sheet against Rollins. After attempting 12 3-pointers against the Tars, Taylor only took two shots from beyond the arc, making one.

The Knights came out firing early, taking a 14-3 lead after Chip Cartwright grabbed a rebound and sent a right-hand bounce pass to a cutting Taylor, who finished with a layup.

The lead was as high as 13 in the first half as guards Mike O'Donnell and Dave Noel rotated the ball at the top of the key, eventually finding Taylor in the left wing corner for his lone 3-pointer of the night. The 24-11 lead was the largest of the night for UCF.

It wasn't all easy in the first half, though, as forwards Lavell Payne and Josh Peppers struggled and the Hatters went on a 17-8 run to cut the Knights lead to just four at half-time.

Peppers finished just 2-for-4 on the night, being held scoreless until midway through the second half. He had five points with one rebound and two turnovers in 22 minutes.

Though he did start the second half with a free throw and an assist, a turnover and foul quickly put Peppers back on the bench in favor of Taylor.

Payne picked up the pace in the second

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Weekend results mark Wave OF CHANGE

UCF VS TULANE

Late turnover not enough for UCF

NEW ORLEANS — Lester Ricard threw a touchdown pass to Damarcus Davis and the Tulane defense kept UCF out of the end zone as the Green Wave defeated the Golden Knights, 10-9, in Saturday's road finale for the Knights.

"We didn't play well in the first half today with some penalties and some missed opportunities. I think we had four opportunities for touchdowns," UCF head coach George O'Leary said. "You have to score touchdowns. I say that each and every time,

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Jason Venson attempts to recover a Tulane fumble during the second quarter on Saturday. Venson led the Knights in tackles and had an interception.

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FOOTBALL BREAKDOWN

Walker's fumble should not be focal point

BRIAN MURPHY
Staff Writer

UCF senior wide receiver Mike Walker wanted to go out a winner.

Last year, while the rest of his team was playing in their first-ever conference championship and heading to a bowl game in Hawaii, Walker could only watch from the sidelines with a torn up left knee.

He worked extremely hard to come back at 100 percent for his last season in Orlando and has become one of the team's leaders.

While this season has not

gone as any of the Knights have hoped, Walker looked at the season's last two games with a sense of optimism. Earlier this week, he said that going out a winner is what drives him to play hard in his final collegiate games.

So when the Knights were just 10 yards from being within range for a game-winning field against Tulane on Saturday, it was so stunning to see Walker fumble away Knights' last chance at victory. I guess not even the most model Knight is immune to being just another bullet on the UCF list of unfortunate occurrences in this torturous season.

But, no one should assume

that Mike Walker is the goat in this loss. If his teammates and coaches had done their job earlier in the game, Walker would not be the focal point of another Knight tragedy.

Here are the reasons why UCF could not leave New Orleans with a win.

They could not run the ball

This spelled doom for UCF right away. With regular starting back Kevin Smith out with a shoulder injury, the Knights looked to senior Jason Peters and freshman Phillip Smith to shoul-

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NCAA FOOTBALL WRAP-UP

Buckeyes hold off Michigan, now in title game

Wins by Irish and USC set stage for big game in LA

COLUMBUS, Ohio — Troy Smith and Ohio State did it all, overwhelming Michigan with offense, winning the Big Ten title and streaking into the national title game.

The top-ranked Buckeyes put their dazzling speed on display Saturday with a barrage of big plays — and they needed every one to beat an inspired Michigan team, 42-39.

The "Game of the Century," the first No. 1 vs. No. 2 matchup in this storied rivalry, was played a day after Michigan lost feisty former coach Bo Schembechler, who died Friday. The teams couldn't have honored his memory with a better game, although it wasn't the type of football he and Woody Hayes played when they battled for a decade.

The Wolverines and Buckeyes may have another shot at each other. Depending on how the BCS standings fall, Michigan (11-1, 7-1 Big Ten) can still make it to the title game in Arizona.

Two defenses that came in allowing 20 points per game combined were unable to stop each other's attack. It was the second highest-scoring game in the 103-game series, which dates to 1897; the most points scored were 86 in 1902, the fourth meeting, which Michigan won 86-0.

This one was surely more entertaining.

Smith played a near perfect first half and finished 29-for-41 for 316 yards, a third straight magical performance against Michigan that might have just locked up the Heisman Trophy for the senior.

And while Smith and the Buckeyes twice jumped out to 14-point leads, the Wolverines wouldn't stay down, led by Mike Hart's 142 yards and three touchdowns.

No. 10 Louisville 31, South Florida 8

LOUISVILLE, Ky. — Brian Brohm threw for 274 yards and two touchdowns to wide receiver Harry Douglas as Louisville rebounded from a loss to Rutgers.

Louisville (9-1, 4-1 Big East) avenged a 31-point loss to the Bulls (7-4, 3-3 Big East) last year behind a stout defense that limited South Florida to 286 yards and sacked quarterback Matt Grothe six times.

The win, coupled with Rutgers' loss at Cincinnati, vaulted the Cardinals into a three-way tie atop the Big East with the Scarlet Knights and No. 8 West Virginia.

All three teams are 4-1 in the conference with two weeks to play. Louisville takes on Pittsburgh next Saturday.

No. 4 USC 23, No. 17 California 9

LOS ANGELES — Southern California is headed back to Pasadena at the very least. The Trojans kept a loftier goal alive as well.

John David Booty passed for 238 yards and two fourth-quarter touchdowns, the USC defense shut down California in the second half to clinch the Pac-10 championship and a berth in the Rose Bowl.

USC became the first team to win five straight Pac-10 football titles, and took another step toward a possible berth in the national championship game against No. 1 Ohio State, a 42-39 winner over No. 2 Michigan on Saturday.

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Torres misses late field goal

FROM A8

and then we miss a field goal. We had our opportunities today. I thought defensively we stepped up and made some plays, and offensively we sure had our opportunities. But you can't turn the ball over. Penalties and turnovers sure cost us today."

Ricard's touchdown pass helped Tulane (4-7, 2-5 Conference USA) build a 10-0 halftime lead. It withstood a UCF comeback as Michael Torres made three second-half field goals, but missed his fourth attempt, from 35 yards, with 3:08 remaining in the game.

"The only thing left to play for is pride and they went out there today and did that against a team that won the Eastern Division Championship last year," Tulane head coach Chris Scelfo said. "We've won a lot of games around here, 45-40. Today I am really proud of our defense. 10-to-9 is a great win."

The Knights' final opportunity failed when Tulane cornerback Israel Route forced and recovered a fumble by wide receiver Mike Walker at the Green Wave 35 and returned the ball to the UCF 23 with 1:32 remaining.

"I thought he went to switch it and left some air there and the ball got hit and then fell out," O'Leary said. "[That was] poor ball security and it's something we've been talking to him about for three weeks. Football is a team game and it's not one guy that makes a difference whether you win or lose."

Walker caught a pass for the 27th consecutive game, and his eight catches put him at 83 receptions for the season, the fourth highest total in school history. In addition, his 63 yards receiving broke the 1,000-yard mark for the season, making him the 11th Knight to reach that mark.

After consecutive games of playing just one quarterback, UCF went back to the two quarterback system. Senior Steven Moffett started for the second consecutive game and was 6-for-15 passing for 57 yards. Junior Kyle Israel played one series in the first half and



Sophomore wide receiver Rocky Ross gets knocked out of bounds by Tulane's David Skehan in the second half of UCF's loss Saturday. Ross finished the game with nine receptions for 124 yards, with a long of 35 yards, all of which lead the Knights in their final road game of the year.

the entire second half, finishing 16-for-20 passing for 173 yards.

After a scoreless first quarter, Tulane took a 10-0 halftime lead on Ross Thevenot's 29-yard field goal and Ricard's 9-yard touchdown pass to Davis with 34 seconds left in the second quarter.

UCF was the first Green Wave opponent to be held scoreless in the first half in 20 games.

Torres kicked field goals of 21 and 35 yards to cut the Tulane lead to 10-6 with 14:05 remaining in the game. UCF threatened again midway through the fourth, but stalled at Tulane's 14. Torres' 31-yard field goal made it 10-9 with 6:42 left.

The Knights got an opportunity to take the lead when Tulane punter Chris Beckman dropped a snap and Blake Carter tackled him at Tulane's 18 before he could punt. But UCF gained just six yards on three plays and Torres was wide right on a 35-yard field-goal attempt with 3:08 remain-

ing.

UCF then forced a Tulane punt and started at the Green Wave 47, but three plays later Route took the ball away.

With obvious struggles offensively, the Knights were unable to put six points on the board in both the rushing and passing categories.

Much of this can be attributed to the result of a season-ending injury to running back Kevin Smith. Smith, who had been averaging 103.8 yards per game, was replaced by backup Phillip Smith who added just 41 yards to the rushing game.

Both teams, however, struggled offensively as Ricard's early touchdown pass proved to be the only one of the game and the only one the Green Wave would be able to hold off the Knights.

The Green Wave's Ray Boudreaux was held to just 39 yards rushing, with the Green Wave totaling just 28 net yards on the game.

In the air, Tulane edged UCF in passing yards with 267, while

the Knights totaled 230 yards. Despite decent numbers on the passing end, neither team could convert those yards into touchdowns.

UCF's Rocky Ross led the Knights in receiving yards with 124. Going into Saturday's game, Ross was averaging just 43.8 yards per game.

The Knights' Mike Walker, who usually averages 95 yards per game, ended Saturday's contest with just 63 yards.

Tulane's Jeremy Williams led the Green Wave with 106 total yards.

"The struggle was the offensive line. I don't think they ever blocked the second level and I think those guys were involved in a lot of tackles that they shouldn't be involved in. We had trouble hitting some moving targets," O'Leary said.

Despite struggles offensively, the Knights, however, are continuing to improve on their red zone opportunities, going 3-5 within 20 yards.

PLEASE SEE "OFFENSE ON A10

Second-half slams drive UCF to win

FROM A8

half, throwing down three huge dunks that fired up the crowd and changed the pace of the game for the frontcourt, which once again was without center Adam Gill and received limited minutes from center Stanley Billings.

Kenrick Zondervan got the bulk of the work in the middle, and Payne understands that it is a little different after playing Anthony Williams.

"It is different because they have different playing styles," Payne said. "You have to know how they're going to score, what shots they're going to take, so it's a different experience that I'm getting used to."

After going 1-for-7 in the first half, Payne went

4-for-6 in the second half, with back-to-back dunks, the first being a left-hand tomahawk in the face of Stetson's Collins Okafor, giving the Knights a 53-43 lead. Payne finished with 13 points, eight rebounds and two blocks in 25 minutes.

"The coaches said I'm not playing like the way I used to play, whether it was in practice or even in the exhibition game," Payne said. "I was struggling, shots weren't going for me, so I had to get myself together and things would come; I knew I could hit the next shot."

One thing the Hatters couldn't get used to was the backdoor alley-oop play between Taylor and O'Donnell.

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It worked twice in the second half, both on situations where O'Donnell was stationed on the left wing in front of the Knight bench and found a streaking Taylor off the right wing corner. The second one gave UCF a 58-49 lead, all but sealing the win after the Hatters had taken a 36-35 lead early in the second half.

"We've been running Stetson's defense and we've been watching film on them, so we noticed that the backdoor is always open," Taylor said. "So we came in on Friday and worked on the lob to get it right and make sure everything was good."

Things were good until 1:14 remained and the Knights had a 64-54 lead. That's when O'Donnell crumpled to the ground after a foul near the sideline at

midcourt.

The severity of the injury to his right knee is unknown, but he was walking after the game with ice packs wrapped around it. His availability for Tuesday's game against Bethune-Cookman is in unknown. O'Donnell finished the night with team-highs in assists (8) and turnovers (6). He also tied team-highs in defensive rebounds (5) and steals (2).

The Knights improved to 2-0 with the win, and will host home games against Bethune-Cookman and Florida Tech this week. The tipoff for Tuesday's game is 7:30 p.m. and the Florida Tech contest will start at 7:30 p.m. on Friday.



Stetson head coach Derek Waugh argues with a referee during the second half of his team's 73-60 loss to UCF on Saturday.

Defense steps up, offense steps down in loss

FROM A8

der the load. But, the duo came up small, combining their 27 carries for just 58 yards.

But as is usually the case when a running team struggles to establish their type of game, the backs are not solely to blame.

"I think the struggle was the offensive line," UCF head coach George O'Leary said. "I don't think they ever blocked the [linebackers] and I think those guys were involved in a lot of tackles that they shouldn't have been involved in."

Tulane's defense had given up an average of 153 yards on the ground coming into this game, but they limited the Knights to 74 on Saturday. It was the team's worst rushing performance since the debacle against Florida in September.

They could not produce when it mattered most

When does it matter most? For UCF: inside the red zone

This is becoming a broken record for the Knights. Every week, they say they are trying to get better in this area. And almost every game, they continue to fail inside the 20.

On UCF's five trips to the red zone on Saturday, they hit three field goals, turned the ball over on downs once and missed another field goal attempt (with 3:08 left to play). All in all, the Knights still could not find what they are looking for: touchdowns.

UCF has scored 17 touchdowns on 46 red zone drives this year, one of the worst percentages in the country. They have just one red zone touchdown in their last two games.

"We can't have Mike [Torres] kicking four field goals a game in back-to-back games," UCF quarterback Kyle Israel said. "That goes from the offensive line all the way to me. When we get down there, we have got to put it in. Until we do that, this is going to be the out-

come."

They do not have a quarterback

That may sound harsh, but it is basically true. Last week at Memphis, Steven Moffett was brilliant. He made quick decisions, was accurate, did not take sacks and threw for over 300 yards in a UCF victory.

Statistically, the Green

center for three more stagnant drives. Israel was then brought back into the game and played the entire second half.

While Israel completed 15-of-19 passes to end the game, all this switching of quarterbacks has to have an adverse effect on the offense. Israel and Moffett are not the same type of player and interchanging them in and

GOLDEN KNIGHTS

31 JOHNELL NEAL



Position: Cornerback
Key Play: Had one of two interceptions for UCF on Saturday.

45 JASON VENSON



Position: Safety
vs Tulane: Led the Knights in tackles with eight and added an interception.

GREEN WAVE

11 DAMARCUS DAVIS



Position: Wide receiver
Key Play: Caught the game's lone touchdown pass in the second quarter.

4 ISRAEL ROUTE



Position: Cornerback
Key Play: Forced and recovered Mike Walker's fourth-quarter fumble.

Wave's defense is worse than the Tigers', so another big day should have been in the cards for Moffett. Being benched for a couple of games seems to have motivated the senior to become a better player. At least, that's what I thought.

But something happened to Moffett on his way to the Superdome. His accuracy disappeared. The same quarterback who was 19-for-28 last week was just 6-for-15 through the air Saturday.

Moffett started the contest decently, completing four of his first seven passes. But, after the second drive of the game, O'Leary began his edition of quarterback musical chairs.

Israel replaced Moffett as the Knights started their third possession. After a three-and-out, Moffett was back behind

out of the game interferes with the rhythm that the offense is trying to establish.

Also, neither one of them have been consistently impressive. In the last six weeks, Moffett has started three games, and Israel has started three games. You would think that one would take advantage of an opportunity, but neither of them has done so for more than one game at a time.

It is obviously too late to salvage anything this year, and this situation may be cleared up in 2007 when Moffett is no longer on the team, but for the sake of rhythm and continuity of the other offensive players, this team needs to stick with one quarterback. Remember this adage: If you can't decide between two quarterbacks, you really don't have one.

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Ohio State running back Antonio Pittman runs away from Michigan defenders on his way to a 56-yard third quarter touchdown during the No. 1 Buckeyes' 42-39 win over No. 2 Michigan on Saturday in Columbus. The 81 total points were the second most in the history of the rivalry.

Teel's turnovers end Rutgers' hopes for BCS championship

FROM A8

The Trojans (9-1, 7-1 Pac-10) need to beat No. 6 Notre Dame and crosstown rival UCLA to have a shot at playing in their third straight national title game, although Michigan's performance against Ohio State might have been enough to get the Wolverines in. Those teams have completed their seasons.

No. 17 Cal (8-3, 6-2 Pac-10) was shooting for its first Rose Bowl berth in 48 years.

No. 5 Arkansas 28, Mississippi State 14

STARKVILLE, Miss. — Darren McFadden ran back a kickoff 92 yards for a touchdown and Chris Houston scored on an 87-yard interception return as Arkansas won the SEC Western Division title and will play Florida in the league championship game on Dec. 2.

The Bulldogs shut down McFadden and the high-powered Razorbacks offense at every turn, but defense and special teams carried Arkansas (10-1, 7-0 SEC).

Mississippi State (3-8, 1-6 SEC) allowed McFadden to rush for 84 yards, but most of the yardage came on the team's final drive.

Casey Dick threw two touchdown passes to go with the long returns as Arkansas won its 10th straight game and remained in the national cham-

pionship picture.

No. 6 Notre Dame 41, Army 9

SOUTH BEND, Ind. — Brady Quinn threw for three touchdowns and Darius Walker ran for 162 yards and two scores to keep Notre Dame in national title contention.

Despite being heavy favorites, the Irish (10-1) came out wearing green uniforms for motivation. The rare appearance of the jerseys didn't do much at first as Notre Dame came out flat and trailed 3-0 late in the first quarter.

The Irish close out the regular season next week at No. 4 Southern California. A win could put Notre Dame in position to earn a spot in the national title game. The victory ended a four-game losing streak for the green jerseys. Notre Dame's last victory wearing green was 1985, when they came out in the first half wearing blue against USC and at halftime switched to green in a 37-3 victory.

Cincinnati 30, No. 7 Rutgers 11

CINCINNATI — Reserve quarterback Nick Davila made his first career start and led Cincinnati to its biggest upset in school history, ending the Scarlet Knights' perfect season and national title aspirations.

Davila scored on a 1-yard run and threw an 83-yard touchdown pass as the Bearcats (6-5, 3-3 Big East) had

their way against one of college football's best defenses and one of its most improbable success stories.

The Scarlet Knights (9-1, 4-1) came into the day as one of only four unbeaten teams left in Division I-A. Playing as a Top-10 team for the first time in their 137-year history, the Scarlet Knights looked like they had stage fright.

Now, only No. 1 Ohio State and No. 13 Boise State have perfect marks.

No. 9 LSU 23, Mississippi 20, OT

BATON ROUGE, La. — Colt David kicked a 26-yard field goal in overtime to lift No. 9 LSU over Ole Miss.

JaMarcus Russell and Dwayne Bowe hooked up on a fourth down touchdown pass in the final seconds of regulation to send the game into overtime.

LSU (9-2, 5-2 SEC) could have won in regulation after Bowe's touchdown, but Mississippi blocked the extra point.

Mississippi (3-8, 1-6 SEC) opened overtime on offense, but LSU's Daniel Francis forced Ole Miss quarterback Brent Schaeffer to fumble and Tyson Jackson recovered for the Tigers.

It was a crushing loss for the Rebels, who were 27-point underdogs and were in position to pull out a shocking victory.

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20-20 effort leads Magic

Magic now 7-3 after Howard dominates Bobcats again

ORLANDO — Dwight Howard posted his second 20-20 game this season with 24 points and 21 rebounds, and the Orlando Magic ran away from the Charlotte Bobcats 97-83 Saturday night at the TD Waterhouse Centre.

Darko Milicic had 14 points and eight rebounds and Grant Hill added 15 points as Orlando won its fourth straight game.

Charlotte's Emeka Okafor, taken one spot behind Howard with the second overall pick in the 2004 NBA draft, hit 13 of 15 shots from the field for 26 points and grabbed nine rebounds, but received very little support. Sean May had 12 points for the Bobcats and rookie Adam Morrison 10, but Morrison was held scoreless in the second half.

Howard and the Magic controlled the game almost from the outset. Orlando led by 10 nine minutes into the game when Hill finished a fast break off a pass from Jameer Nelson to make it 20-10. That was a sign of things to come as Orlan-



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Orlando's Grant Hill puts up a shot over Gerald Wallace in the Magic's win Saturday.

do scored 14 points off the break and another 15 on second-chance opportunities in taking a 57-43 halftime advantage.

Charlotte got much of its offense from Okafor and Morrison in the first two periods. They hit 12 of 16 shots between them for 24 of the Bobcats' 43 points.

Okafor added 12 more points in the third quarter, but had even less help as Morrison went 0-for-7 from the field in the second half. A 15-foot jumper by Okafor got Charlotte within 60-53 with 7:37 left in the third quarter, but that

was as close as the Bobcats would come.

Howard, who had 11 points and 12 rebounds in the third quarter, scored on a three-point play to start a run of six straight Magic points that pushed their advantage to 66-53.

Charlotte never cut the deficit under 10 for the remainder of the game. Orlando built a 21-point lead before coasting the last five minutes of the game.

Game Notes

- Charlotte point guard Brevin Knight didn't play because of a knee injury. He's listed as day-to-day.

- Howard has led the Magic in rebounding in every game this season.

- Two of Howard's four career 20-20 games (scoring-rebounding) have come against Charlotte.

- Okafor, the leading shot-blocker in the NBA this season, didn't block a shot against the Magic.

- Orlando was the first team to outshoot Charlotte from the field this season.

- Bobcats center Primoz Brezec played for the first time this season after sitting out the previous eight games with exhaustion.

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Offense stagnant again in red zone

FROM A9

What O'Leary talked about last week at the pre-game press conference, however, was being able to turn those red zone opportunities into touchdowns, not just field goals.

"I thought we did a lot of better things in the second half. When we get down in the red zone five times, we really need to come away with points ... more than field goals," UCF

quarterback Kyle Israel said.

"We can't have Mike [Torres] kicking four field goals a game. When we get down there, we have to put it in. Until then, this is going to be the outcome."

Defensively, both teams played an evenly matched game. UCF recorded four sacks resulting 24 total yards lost for the Green Wave.

Defensive back Jason Venson had a strong game for the Knights, walking away with

eight tackles and one interception.

Tulane's Jeremy Foreman recorded nine tackles on the day for the Green Wave.

The Knights fall to 3-8 on the season, 2-5 in C-USA.

They will wrap up their season with Senior Day on Saturday against UAB at the Citrus Bowl. Kickoff is set for noon and Comcast Sports South will televise.

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KNIGHTS BEAT ALBANY, LOSE TO FAIRLEIGH DICKINSON



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Players from UCF and Fairleigh Dickinson scramble for the ball during the Knights' 77-64 loss Friday in the opener of the UCF Golden Knights Tournament. The Knights were able to beat Albany the next day in the consolation game, 59-51.

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The Knights pulled in 41 total rebounds in the win over Albany on Saturday. It was the Golden Knights first win of the season.

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The Knights had 27 personal fouls in the loss to Fairleigh Dickinson on Friday. It was the third straight loss for the Knights.

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OUR STANCE

Return to 'Merry' greetings pointless

Wal-Mart has done it again.

This year the world's largest retailer has decided to greet customers with "Merry Christmas" and have Christmas carols playing in the background while you shop, ending a one-year stint of being politically correct.

A number of groups boycotted Wal-Mart last year when it switched from Merry Christmas to Happy Holidays, a generic term designed to encompass all religions.

This holiday-greeting fight is ridiculous.

Retail outlets sell products to consumers. Those consumers come in every flavor and religion under the sun. Stores shouldn't feel obligated to pander to any religious group or organization. Stores only seek to make money.

Target will be asking its customers to have a Merry Christmas the entire holiday season.

Last year it was Happy Holidays or Season's Greetings all the way up to Christmas, when Target switched to Merry Christmas.

Food Lion has taken another approach. It has decided to switch it up all season.

When it's Christmas time, it will say Merry Christmas. When Hanukkah rolls around, it will wish customers a Happy Hanukkah.

Still, other retail outlets have decided to stick with Happy Holidays.

This argument has even

managed to spill over into politics.

Local governments have been debating for years what to call that big evergreen tree in the middle of town with pointy needles, wrapped in festive lights, garland and tinsel.

Some people might want to call it a Christmas tree. Others want to call it a holiday tree.

Why is this even an issue? When did being politically correct become so trendy?

At some point a line has to be drawn. It is literally impossible to satisfy every religion's holiday preference.

If you pander to one group, six more will stand in line and shout and scream that you're ignoring their beliefs.

At the same time, this concept of being politically correct has gotten out of hand. Groups feel compelled to not step on anyone's toes or beliefs to the point where there are actual debates about what to call a Christmas tree.

No wait, a holiday tree. Or is it a Christmas tree now?

We give up.

For the most part, we are talking about retailers. They were worried about offending groups of people who don't celebrate Christmas so they switched to something more innocuous.

"Happy Holidays" was safe. It was generic and bland. And it applied to everyone that may want to spend some cash this season.

It was potentially perfect.

Now retailers have to scramble to decide which religious group they don't want to offend around the holidays.

It is, by far, time to let it go.

In the U.S., we separate church and state. Perhaps there needs to be a separation of church and retail.

When people enter a store, they don't need to be reminded of their religious preferences. They do need to be reminded of what's on sale, where the wrapping paper is kept and where they can find a Nintendo Wii. The bottom line is that the holiday season hasn't been about religion in years.

Santa Claus replaced Jesus Christ as the figurehead of Christmas years ago. The holiday is no longer about sacrifices; it's about profits.

That's the reality of the situation. And it's a sad fact.

If you think retailers care about your beliefs, you're wrong. They care about the money in your wallet and simply want to offend the least amount of customers and have the least amount of organizations boycott their store.

When you walk into Wal-Mart to buy a gift this year, the best option would be to leave your faith at the door. It's time to draw the line between religion and shopping. The two really don't need to mix, and there shouldn't be a controversy around it.

Let it go. Happy holidays was fine. Merry Christmas was fine before that.



LOUIS COPPOLA / THE PITT NEWS

Launch weekend shows society's ills

The video game-induced craziness of this past weekend has been fun to watch, but it's been a pretty disappointing sign of where our society is heading.

When a collection of wires, computer chips and circuit boards are responsible for shootings and robberies, something isn't right.

But I'm getting ahead of myself. Let's start with the people who camped out to get the systems and then actually kept them.

I understand the excitement of a system launch, but was it really worth it to live on a sidewalk for several days just to get a video game console? Was it worth putting your life on hold?

Regardless of the fact that those questions were rhetorical, I'm sure that some of you are saying, "Yes, it was worth it."

And therein lies the problem.

Whether we lose ourselves in video games, MySpace or any other digital distraction, we as a society seem to have lost interest in face-to-face interaction.

It seems like fewer and fewer kids are playing sports, and I swear I've never seen a chubbier generation than the kids around these days.

You have to know that there is a problem when the only exercise that you get is from playing Dance Dance Revolution.

The excitement over the Nintendo Wii controller is kind of funny. The motion sensing remote lets players actually feel like they're doing things like throwing a football or shooting a bow.

Well guess what, kids? With a few bucks and a backyard, you can do it for real.

So, to you lucky few who got systems, congratulations, but don't forget to get out of the house every once in a while.

TROY HILLIER
Editor in Chief

Next up are the people who bought a system, only to sell it on eBay for thousands. Instead of letting video game fans buy the system for somewhat reasonable prices, these people saw the new systems as a way to make a quick buck.

Sony deserves some of the blame for the way they handled the launch of the PlayStation 3, but it's sad that the first thought

that comes to mind for millions across the country is how they can profit from a bad situation.

Yes, I understand the idea of supply and demand, but I'd like to thank all you hawkers for taking much of the fun out of the event.

Oh, and the first person to call me a communist gets a Leonid Brezhnev action figure.

Finally, I'd like to give a message to the few individuals who robbed stores and the happy new owners of systems.

You have to be a pretty despicable person to rob someone in the first place, but to prey upon those happy and fortunate people is just terrible.

Does money mean that much to you?

Well, I hope that a couple thousand dollars make you feel better about being an awful person.

Now I'm just waiting for Joe Lieberman and his cohorts to blame everything on *Grand Theft Auto*, another example of how video games have corrupted our society.

There's nothing inherently wrong about video games, but I think we need a reality check.

Those precious save files and high scores are nothing but ones and zeros; they don't exist in reality.

Games can be fun escapism, but real life has better graphics than even the PS3.

PS3 hysteria will quickly fade

The PlayStation 3 made its highly anticipated debut this week to much fanfare and even more violence.

In an effort to bump up sales and create a bigger buzz around the next-generation game console, Sony made just 400,000 PS3s available to the American public this week.

That left a couple million people without the hottest gift and gaming console of the season.

We've all seen the panicked riots that result from the shortage of a new toy.

We all know how parents trampled over other parents way back in the '80s to get their hands on a Cabbage Patch doll. And while we were too old to want one, the Tickle Me Elmo created a similar commotion in the '90s.

But the PS3 isn't a cute, cuddly stuffed toy that will make parents feel guilty if they don't buy one for their 3-year-old.

It's a powerful \$600 computer that is creating outrageous hysteria across the country and close to home.

Three UCF students were robbed of their PS3 on Friday after a 50-hour wait outside in the rain and cold.

The triplet brothers waited at the Wal-Mart on East Colo-

rial Drive to be one of the first to own the coveted gaming system. When they got to their apartment at Northgate Lakes, three men robbed the brothers — taking only their PS3.

And when the consoles are already selling on eBay for over \$1,200, twice their initial value, why not just take the PS3 and make a profit?

But while the brothers were unharmed and will be forced to play their Xbox 360 until they can get another PS3, similar situations in other states have ended much more violently.

In Massachusetts, a man is in stable condition after he was shot outside a Wal-Mart before the PS3 even went on sale.

The man was shot Friday after he refused to give two men the money he was going to use to buy the gaming system. These shooters weren't after the console; they were after the money that many are willing to cough up for the PS3.

The shortage was successful in creating a buzz over the PS3, but it will also lead to a backlash.

Sony should realize that while it may have the most powerful system on the market, consumers will soon get fed up with waiting and worry about the dangers of owning one.

Video games may have surpassed baseball as America's favorite pastime, but time will show that the PS3 is no Babe Ruth.

The hysteria surrounding Sony's flagship product will soon wear off, because no matter how hyped a system may be, its success still relies on its popularity with hard-core gamers and casual gamers alike.

And while the PS3 may have a built-in fan base in PlayStation 2 lovers, casual gamers might find the PS3's hefty price tag too much of an investment.

And no casual gamers would ever risk their lives just for the privilege of owning a PS3.

The third generation PlayStation had the potential to change the way we play and think about video games.

But instead of reinventing the industry, Sony and its PS3 will just encourage consumers to buy the already established Xbox 360 or the highly affordable, and available, \$250 Nintendo Wii.

Shame on Sony for building up this frivolous hype. If only they're beloved product could live up to it.

The much-talked-about PS3 might have the most power, but we're looking forward to a KO from the underdogs.

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"Outside is fine, I don't care."

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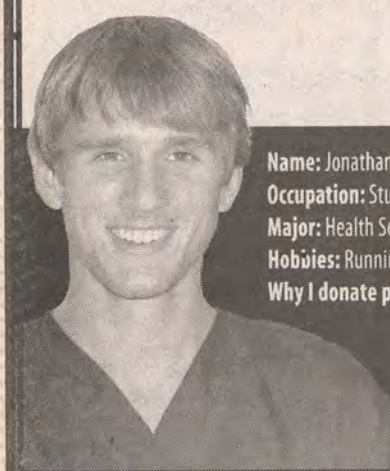
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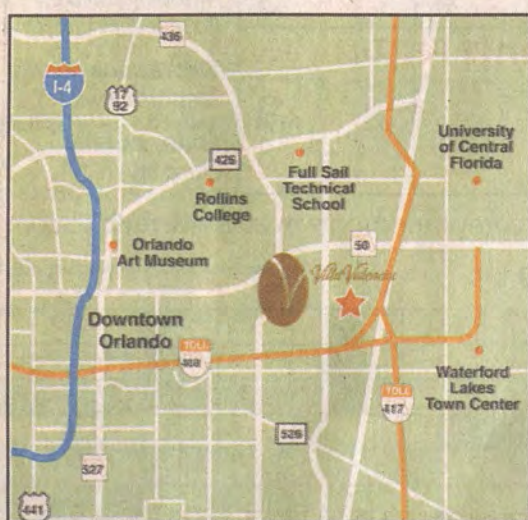
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